

"Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you."

Above is a statement prepared by MoveOn.org. It expresses exactly what I believe, and have believed, since the inception of "media consolidation." It is nothing more than an attempt to manipulate the public via mega "conservative" corporations. These kinds of antics have and are creating an environment that looks nothing like the America I was born into and grew up in the past 61 years. It is unbelievable that anything so blatantly biased could occur in this country.

Undoubtedly, you will receive many, many emails regarding this action by Sinclair Corporation. Don't for one minute downplay these emails as some "liberal" onslaught to beat George W. What the Sinclair Corporation is proposing is an assault on what American stands (stood?) for.